



We reward excellence

When you apply to SMU, you're automatically considered for University-wide scholarships (many of which can be combined) and participation in academic honors programs.

Academic honors and scholars programs

University Honors Program

- Four years of academic opportunity and community.
- Enhanced course offerings challenge students through research and interdisciplinary studies in the U.S. and abroad.
- Richter Fellowship Program funds student independent research and field studies.

Hilltop Scholars Program

- One-year honors program for first-year students interested in leadership and community service; students enroll in three courses.
- 30 hours of community service/leadership activities.
- Social and academic programs focused on building community at SMU.
- Students who complete the Hilltop Scholars Program with at least a 3.65 GPA can apply to the University Honors Program after their first year.

Rotunda Scholars Program

- Four-year scholar program for students from underrepresented groups that aims to help them achieve early success at SMU through academic achievement, leadership and personal excellence.
- Regular academic counseling check-ins throughout the first year, followed by continuous support through graduation.
- Access to exclusive study spaces, partnership with an upper-division peer counselor, close faculty mentorship and unique programming opportunities on and off campus.

SMU Pre-Law Scholars Program

- Opportunity for highly qualified SMU undergraduates to gain automatic admission to SMU's Dedman School of Law.
- Benefits include access to exclusive Pre-Law Scholars class, invitations to law school events, interaction with and specialized advising from legal professionals.

All-University undergraduate scholarships

President's Scholars | smu.edu/ps

(Separate essay statement required)

- Recipients receive full tuition and fees, tuition for one SMU-approved summer or interterm program, plus one SMU-approved academic year program* through SMU and a Campus Community Award for on-campus room and board.
**One term or one year, depending on program*
- Based on academic accomplishments, intellectual curiosity and potential to make a positive impact on the Hilltop and beyond.
- 20–25 incoming first-year students.

Mustang Scholars | smu.edu/mustangscholars

- Students must live in Dallas County and be Pell-eligible.
- Recipients receive full tuition and fees and a Campus Community Award for on-campus room and board. In addition, recipients receive a laptop and an iPad.
- The Mustang Scholarship focuses on cultivating Texas talent through empowerment activities, community building, civic engagement and the development of a culturally conscious scholar.
- Awarded to students with excellent academic accomplishments.
- 20-25 incoming first-year students.

Hunt Leadership Scholars | smu.edu/hunt

(Separate essay and YouTube video statement required)

- Includes support for tuition and fees, a funded international travel experience and leadership development courses.
- Scholars have unique access to peer and alumni mentor programs, community events and a network of highly motivated leaders.
- Awarded to students with extraordinary leadership in schools or communities.

University, Founders', Second Century, SMU Distinguished and Provost scholarships

- Recognize potential leaders in the classroom at SMU.
- Awarded to students who demonstrate outstanding academic success through high school and place among the top SMU applicants with a combination of grades, curriculum and standardized test scores.

International Baccalaureate Scholarship

- Awarded to students who have completed the International Baccalaureate Diploma program. Renewable for up to eight terms or until graduation, whichever comes first.
- Recipient must maintain an SMU cumulative GPA of 3.0 and full-time enrollment each term.
- \$7,500 per academic year.

School-specific scholarships

COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

BBA Scholars Program

- Considers first-year admitted students with business as their primary academic interest.
- All BBA Scholars receive scholarships and guaranteed admission to the Cox School of Business.
- Average cohort size is 100 students.



DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

Dedman College Scholars Program

- Considers first-year admitted undergraduate students with a Dedman College major as their primary academic interest.
- Receive support for independent research, close faculty guidance and mentoring, and scholarship support of up to \$15,000 per year for eight consecutive fall and spring terms.
- Maintain at least a 3.3 GPA and full-time enrollment in a Dedman College major, engage in an approved research project, and be an active member of the University Honors Program.



MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Meadows Artistic Merit Scholarship

- Considers first-year and transfer students admitted to SMU and Meadows who are majoring in music, dance, theatre, art, and film and media arts (BFA).
- Based on audition performance or quality of portfolio.
- Award amount varies by discipline (minors not considered).

Meadows Scholars Program

- Automatically considers first-year admitted students who indicated plans to major in any Meadows area of study on SMU application or were admitted to a major in art, dance, film (BFA), music, or theatre.
- Provides renewable scholarships to about 20 first-year students who have demonstrated high achievement in both the arts and academics.
- Average award amount is \$10,000 per year.



LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Lyle Engineering Scholars Program

- Considers first-year admitted students who express engineering as their primary academic interest and have outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership ability.
- Average award amount is \$5,000 per year for four years.

Embrey Academic Excellence Scholarship Program

- Awarded to first-year admitted students who express engineering as their primary academic interest, have outstanding academic achievement, and who want to use engineering to tackle society's most challenging problems.
- Average award amount is \$5,000 per year for up to four years.

Templeton Scholarship

- Awarded to first-year admitted students who express engineering as their primary academic interest and have outstanding academic achievement.
- Average award amount is \$10,000 per year for up to four years.



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